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CSA Council members step in

By Sally Czechanski
Staff Writer

Elections were recently held for the various positions of the Executive Board after its first year in existence. The newly-elected president of the Clarke Student Association (CSA), is Pat Kennedy, with Jane Landeck as vice-president, Peg Oberfell as

secretary, and Joyce Konrady as treasurer.

Heading each campus interest group and representing that organization on the Executive Board will be: Ann Sweeney, Academic Affairs Committee; Mo McCormack, Student Affairs Committee; Mary Sisler, Off-Campus Life; Jan Ruzich, On-Campus Life;

Eileen Enzler, Phoenix; Deb Mettillie, RAP (Reach Another Person); and Loretta Reed, Social Board.

The senior class president Maribeth Genoar, the junior class head Mary Ellen Costello, and the sophomore class president Mary Beth Ryan will also serve on the council.



Pictured here are Jane Landeck, Pat Kennedy, Peg Oberfell and Joyce Konrady.

Banquet hails students for academic excellence

By Pat Rush
Staff Writer

At the Honors banquet last week, Clarke students were cited for their excellence in various departments.

Seniors chosen for Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges were: Chris Beringer, Margaret Corrigan, Barbara Grob, Julie Harris, Mary Beth Jordan, Jane Knapp, Ann Lynch, Erin Martin, Martha Middleton, Christine O'Connell, Dianne Oelerich, Maureen O'Hara, Beth Puls, Janice Strautman and Mary Tavegia.

Seniors elected to Kappa Gamma Pi are as follows: Julie Harris, Patricia Kray, Martha Middleton, Christine O'Connell, Maureen O'Hara, Carol Schmeizer, Gizelle Spurgeon and Mary Tavegia.

Special Field Awards were also

presented. For the Mary Blake Finan Literary Award, first place went to Felicia Flowers for "It is time for a change" and Diane Rourick for the "The Scene." Named in Honorable Mention were Paul Scholl for Politics a la Francaise and Maureen O'Hara for "The Bells That Toll Too Late."

The Richard Sherman Memorial First Place Award went to Maureen O'Hara for "Sad, Lisa, Lisa." Second place was given to Erin Martin for "redwhiteandblue nostalgia" and Maureen O'Hara for "When Haves Have Not."

An Award for Courier achievements was the Marse Meis FitzGerald Award for Journalism. This award went to Chris Beringer, editor of the Courier. The Helen and Melvin Hack Award recognized Pat Rush for her work in Photo-Journalism for the Courier.

Three outstanding students gain class recognition for achievement

By Pat Rush
Staff Writer

At last night's college award dinner, three outstanding students won awards. The St. Catherine Medal was given to Patricia Avelleyra. This award is given by vote of the faculty to the sophomore who has in her first two years of college exemplified the high standards of character, scholarship, service and leadership required for election to membership in Kappa Gamma Pi.

Patricia was a member of L-board in her freshmen year. This year she was elected to Academic Affairs Committee as the sophomore representative. In this year's election she was elected again as the

junior representative to academic affairs. The medal is awarded through the courtesy of Anne Bormann Murray '31, of Cleveland, Ohio.

The Mabel Rooney Hoffmann Award is presented each year to the junior who, by nomination and vote of the faculty and members of the junior class, has exhibited evidence of academic interest and effort and outstanding response to the opportunities to serve others in the college community and society. This year the award went to Linda Sullivan. Mary Kay O'Brien and Pat Kennedy were cited in honorable mention.

Linda has been elected chairperson of Forum and was the first student to hold this position. Freshman year she was elected A.A.C. representative, sophomore member of Forum and Long Range Planning Committee. Linda has performed in 13x13 and is a member of the Clarke-Loras Singers. She maintains

academic excellence and performance in her own discipline. The award was established in 1969 by Alois Hoffmann in honor of his wife.

The Mary Agnes O'Connor Memorial Award is awarded by vote of the faculty and seniors to the most outstanding senior. This year the award went to Ann Lynch.

Ann demonstrated dynamic leadership in her roles of CSA President, freshman class president and two years of service on Forum. She has been actively involved in campus and off-campus community projects, religious projects and social concerns such as the right to life.

Beth Puls and Mary Beth Jordan received honorable mention. The Mary Agnes O'Connor Memorial Award was established in 1935 by the late Honorable Frank A. O'Connor, Dubuque, in memory of his wife. The presentation of this award will be made at the commencement exercises.

Youth fares grounded

By Linda Glodek
Staff Writer

Are you planning to travel by air this summer? If so, you may be jolted by the increased price of your airline ticket after June 1.

Any trip by air in the United States will cost you more money for travelers between the ages of twelve and twenty-one because of the recent decision of the Civil Aeronautics Board to abolish discount fares for youth traveling in this country.

Beginning on June 1 of last year, young American air travelers found the cost of "standby" flight had gone up to 78 percent of the full-fare ticket. Last December the price rose to 89 percent. And this coming June, it will rise to 100 percent.

In dollars and cents, this means that if you were flying east or west across the country between New York and California last spring, your ticket would have cost \$111.

Last fall, the fare for the same trip was \$131. In December the journey cost \$150. In June, the same ride will cost you \$168. Even shorter trips will cost considerably more.

Youth fare was introduced by the airlines in 1966. Since that time millions of young Americans have taken to the skies. In a dramatic change of the past, young people have been traveling by air to all parts of the country, attending school, seeking jobs and new skills.

About six percent of domestic air travel -- meaning about ten million passengers annually -- have been young Americans flying on youth fares.

Since 1966, you could have purchased a youth fare card for \$3. It was a prized possession because this was a card to dream with, as well as fly with. It's estimated that young people spend more than \$300 million on youth fare tickets in buying over a million of these cards a year.



PATRICIA AVELLEYRA

Your time has come!

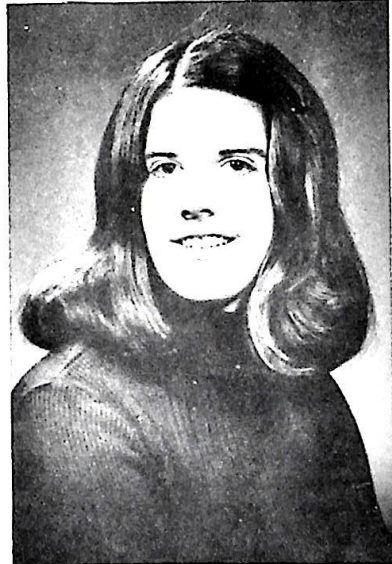
Senior graduation activities will begin Friday night, May 10 with the senior program at 7 p.m. in Terence Donaghoe Hall. The show "Time in a Bottle" consisting of songs by the seniors and a guest appearance by Sister Therese Mackin is being directed by Cathy Callahan and Mary Tavegia with Dianne Oelerich and Beth Hogan as emcees. A reception will follow in West Hall Terrace Room for parents, relatives, students and faculty.

On Saturday, May 11, at 10 a.m., Mass will be celebrated at St. Raphael's Cathedral where Bishop Louis E. Jelineau, D. D., of Providence, Rhode Island, will give the Baccalaureate address.

The 131st Annual Commencement will take place at 2 p.m. in Terence Donaghoe hall. The speaker at the Commencement exercises will be Sister Ann Ida Gannon, BVM, president of Mundelein College, Chicago, and chairperson of the American Council of Education. A reception in Mary Josita Formal Lounge will follow the ceremony. A Clarke-Loras party will be held at the Julien Motor Inn at 8:30 p.m. Saturday.



LINDA SULLIVAN



ANN LYNCH

Singers tour

By Debbie Lesko
Staff Writer

On May 13, the Clarke-Loras Singers will leave Chicago's O'Hare Airport en route to Frankfurt, Germany, the singers' first stop in Europe. Besides Germany, the singers will tour Italy, Austria and Czechoslovakia.

During their two-week tour, the choir will follow generally the same music program they did on their Easter tour.

The singers will board mainly in hotels although they will stay with Austrian families while in Vienna. In Vienna they will entertain in a four-day festival held annually. However, unlike previous years, the singers will not enter any contests involving other singing groups.

The choir will return from their tour on May 27 to Chicago.

Clarke accepted for Admissions workshop

Clarke College is one of 41 colleges accepted for participation in an Admissions workshop given this summer under the sponsorship of the Hill Family Foundation. The foundation will hold this workshop on College Recruitment and Admission twice-at Lewis and Clarke College in Portland, Oregon from July 21 - July 27, 1974 and at Saint John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota from July 28 - August 3, 1974.

The objectives of the workshop are: to improve individual skills in recruitment and admissions; to

enable participants to share ideas and practices and to stress the implication of recruitment and admissions through all levels of the institution. Each college must be represented by a team of at least three persons: a senior administrator, a faculty member or administrator in academic or student affairs, and the chief admission officer.

Clarke participants will be President Robert Giroux, Steve Drake, Ruth O'Rourke, and Sister Julia Clare Greene, BVM, financial aid director as of next year.

Survey proves support for a CLRK comeback

Fran O'Brien
Staff Writer

An overwhelming vote of approval to re-establish CLRK, the Clarke on-campus radio station, came as a result of a COURIER survey conducted Monday, April 29, among 170 Clarke students.

When asked whether they thought CLRK should be set up again, 122 students agreed that it should be; five did not. Forty-three said they were indifferent.

A few expressed doubt in the necessity of bringing CLRK back to Clarke. "The money could be spent better," wrote one student. Two others wanted to see the caliber of the station improved. Another felt that the amount of air-time used in the past was inadequate.

More saw the advantages an on-campus station could bring. Sixteen viewed it as a means of expression and experience for those in journalism and for non-music majors interested in music.

Others saw CLRK as a "way of informing Clarke students about college news and ac-

tivities." Fifteen sensed it was a means of communication on the Clarke campus. The need for day to day news both on-campus and off was cited.

Good publicity for Clarke was another advantage four girls noted. Three of those interviewed questioned, "Why waste the facilities?" Two people were indifferent.

One girl wrote, "I've never really listened but it could be something if they had more people, funds and publicity, I suppose."

Although 106 did not choose to work on the station, 26 did. Four said they might and 15 were indifferent. Positions requested included: disc jockey, news writer, secretary, music director, organization and functional. One said she wanted to be a "troublemaker."

Most preferred afternoon and evening hours for air-time. Six to nine were reported as prime time.

The Top Forty ranked first as the type of program to be listened to with easy listening music second. Rock followed with news programs and classical music coming up next. Then came blues, interviews, acid rock, talk shows, jazz, group specials and country and western. Soul music appeared a number of times as a write-in program.

In naming their favorite listening preferences, Chicago came first followed by John Denver. Cat Stevens, Jim Croce, the Beatles, Elton John, the Moody Blues and Seals and Crofts were also reoccurring favorites. They were followed by Neil Diamond, Crosby-Stills-Nash-Young, black musicians, Bread, Three Dog Night and Sly and the Family Stone.

Results of the survey will be given to the new head of the Journalism-Communications Department.

Counselor at Fenelon

By Linda Glodek
Staff Writer

What kind of job is camping out in the wilderness; innertubing ten miles down the Turkey River; and being involved in a pool marathon? These are only a few of the activities planned by Marilyn Pink, a junior at Clarke.

As a youth care worker at the Fenelon Home for Girls, Marilyn serves as house mother to eight girls ranging from thirteen to eighteen years of age. Marilyn works with the planning of the week's schedule, the individual logging of charts and the relationship with each girl as an individual as well as in a group.

Every three weeks, Marilyn spends the weekend at the Home relieving the married couple who lives there. The girls that occupy the house take turns cooking and cleaning as well as attending school.

Marilyn, from Hampton, Iowa, is majoring in physical therapy and intends to receive an M.A. in biology in the near future. Marilyn enjoys working with the girls and finds that she has grown close to a number of the girls at the home.

A year ago last January, Marilyn volunteered as a recreational director at the Fenelon Home and the following summer was offered a full-time, paying job as a youth care worker. It was during the summer of 1973 that Marilyn and the girls camped out, floated down the Turkey River and participated with the boys' home activities.

"Working at the Fenelon home is an experience for me as well as for the girls," said Marilyn. "It is the kind of experience that stimulates the intellectual and cultural growth of the individual and sets a modeled behavior."

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Tri-College?

Dear Editor:

At pre-registration one of the advertising gimmicks used to attract students to Clarke was not carried out as would be expected. The point we are referring to is the cross-registration policy.

The so-called "Tri-College Effort" seems to be discouraged more and more each semester and yet is still used to expand enrollment for Clarke. It has been brought to our attention that the "Tri-College Effort" is discouraged by the faculty on more than one of the campuses, but the purpose for cross-registration was to benefit students by expanding course offerings and choices of teachers. We realize that money is the problem at Clarke, but where do our priorities lie? in education or monetary areas?

We feel that if there continues to be such a hassle given to students wishing to cross-register, the advertising policy should be discontinued in all honesty to prospective students.

Two disillusioned students

Chris takes off

By Mary Beth Ryan
Staff Writer

Being editor of a college newspaper is something many journalism students dream about. But it is an achievement that not every student can claim. While it is an honor to be editor, each issue requires a great deal of work: long hours, many frustrations, and much patience.

Chris Beringer, senior, has been editor of the Courier for two years. Although she is from Dubuque, her time spent at Clarke would almost equal that of a resident student. Speaking of the newspaper job, Chris said, "I still enjoy it; every issue is a learning experience."

In high school Chris was editor of the yearbook and also worked on her school newspaper. Now Chris works on the Telegraph Herald in the library and as a "copy boy."

"Having the experience of the yearbook and newspaper in high school has come in very handy, and now in working at the Telegraph Herald, if I have any questions about the Courier, I just ask someone down there," Chris said.

Although Clarke does not have a journalism major, the senior is enthusiastic about the expansion of the Journalism-Communications Department next year. The editor does not receive pay or academic credit for her efforts on the newspaper.

Chris is an English major and passed her comprehensive exams on April 18. She plans to go to the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.

The Courier staff members, though not always around when needed in the past, now join in thanking Chris for all her fine work with the Courier and wish her an even greater measure of success in her selected field.

The Courier Staff

A light intellectual comedy

By Patricia Kray

"The Absence of a Cello", which closed the theatre season proved to be a fast-moving intellectual comedy. The rapid exchange of witty dialogue compelled the audience to be careful listeners. A full arena stage was effectively used to add depth and richer audience participation.

On the whole, I felt the play was excellently cast, my one exception possibly being John Cook, who portrayed Perry Littlewood, in that he appeared to try too hard at times. The character of the financially distraught professor, Andrew Pilgrim, seemed to flow effortlessly from Howard Renesland. Equally at ease with her part was Molly Burgess as Pilgrim's wife, Celia. Dee Oelerich as the admittedly eccentric grandmother added

spice to the comedy and at times almost stole the show with her concentrated characterization. A touch of sophistication was introduced in the form of Andrew's swinging divorcee sister Marian, portrayed by Andie Bednar, who seemed to enjoy her part very much. Paul Russo, as Otis Clifton, actually radiated the corporation image. His enthusiastic portrayal contributed a spark of life to the play. Innocence and sweetness surrounded the character of Joanna, the professor's daughter, adequately portrayed by Mary Elizabeth Casey. Other actors worked well together under the obviously excellent direction of Sister Xavier Coens. "The Absence of a Cello" was a delightful comedy and its cast provided the audience with a very entertaining evening.

Class Officers 1974-75

Class of '75

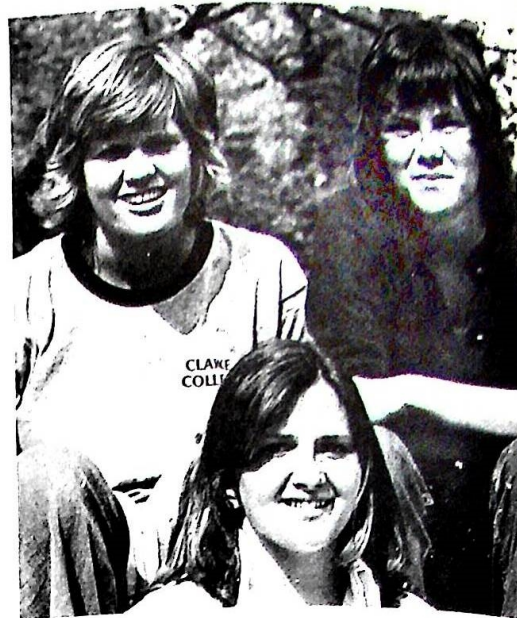
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Class presidents

Mary Beth Ryan, voted the president of the class of '77, at left;

Mary Ellen Costello, leading the junior class, at right;

Maribeth Genoar, head of the senior class, in foreground.

Five seniors' theses done in unconventional manner

By Pat Rush
Staff Writer

How does a woman graduate from Clarke with a degree in Chemistry? In the past it was strictly routine: four years of college, filling requirements, and finally senior comprehensive tests. This year the procedure was slightly altered. Instead of comprehensive testing, Sister Marguerite Neumann decided to let five seniors do work in applied chemistry.

Seniors Marianne Kammer and Gigi Spurgeon researched blood serum chemistry in rats. Marianne worked on the blood sugar levels by administering a drug through their water. She ran various tests on the individual rats to test the glucose levels of each. The purpose of her thesis was to see if the drug raised the glucose level.

She concluded that the drug did raise the glucose levels but after she stopped administering it to the animals, the glucose level returned to normal in seven days. These studies did not harm the rats because they were not given excess amounts. Marianne still watched for varied side effects but none were linked to the drug.

Gigi Spurgeon worked with a high zinc to copper ratio in the food diet of the rats. The rats started with a copper deficient diet and zinc was supplemented for this deficiency.

Previous statistics have shown that people living in areas with hard water (which contains zinc and copper) have a lower rate of heart disease than people living in areas with soft water. (Soft water is free of zinc and copper).

Gigi's thesis linked the high serum cholesterol levels to a copper deficiency and recorded the findings.

Both girls started with ten rats each. Due to research and disease, Marianne finished with eight and Gigi, six. They presented their theses on April 28.

Mary Welsh did her thesis on the comparison of techniques of gel electrophoresis vs. paper electrophoresis. The purpose of the thesis was to find out which technique got the

better separation of proteins. Mary defined electrophoresis as "the movement of a charged particle in an electric field."

Mary originally tried to become proficient in the technique of gel electrophoresis and wanted to apply it to the bio-chemistry of the body. Later she decided to test the same theory by two techniques.

Mary reached the conclusion that gel electrophoresis is better since the size of the pores in the gel yield better separation than the pores in the paper. "It was difficult to do," Mary said, "only because I was unfamiliar with it." She presented her thesis on April 25th.

Resa Walsdorf separated ribonucleotides on an ion-exchange column. The idea for her thesis was presented to her by Sister Marguerite.

Quantitative and Qualitative analysis are the basic components of RNA. Basic methods were used in determining the primary structures of RNA (Ribo Nucleic Acid.) Resa worked with the physical and chemical properties rather than the biological properties.

"The scope of my project was limited by difficulties with the exchange resins," but she added, "the results I did get were fairly good." Resa gave her thesis on May 2.

Jacqueline Story tested cars for nitrous oxide emissions. She collected exhaust fumes from cars differing in engine size, mileage, and type of model. She concluded that the newer cars with a pollution controls have higher nitrous oxide emissions.

In her findings she discovered that cars equipped with pollution controls remove hydrocarbons. Cars which remove return hydrocarbons produce more nitrous oxide, which is poisonous.

Jacqueline was aided by her husband, an auto mechanic. She gave her thesis with Mary on April 25th.

All theses were under the direction of Sister Marguerite. In addition to the lab work, they submitted a type-written paper reporting their findings. Resa commented, "All of us thought the experiments were worth-while. I personally feel I have learned much more working and proving my abilities in applied chemistry rather than taking comprehensive tests and remembering facts for four years."

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